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## **REPLY Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of August 21, 2006 reconsideration of the aboveidentified patent application, amended as follows, is respectfully requested. (This paper is being filed on November 21, 2006, and is therefore timely filed.)

## AMENDMENT Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.